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TOPIC Military Information from the Weisswasser Troop Training Grounds

EVALUATION

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REFERENCES

PAGES 1 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

25X1 At about 11:30 p.m. on 10 October 1953, 8 T-34/85 tanks [redacted]
 25X1 1 salvage tank loaded with about 25 ammunition boxes, and about 80 troops wear-
 25X1 ing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia were detrained in Weisswasser.
 25X1 The shipment had arrived from the direction of Cottbus and left for the artillery
 25X1 firing range. Between 11 and 13 October, reports of tank guns were daily heard.
 25X1 On 14 October, 3 T-34/85 tanks practiced firing while proceeding at the artillery
 25X1 firing range. The commanding officer of the unit, a lieutenant colonel, was seen
 25X1 in jeep [redacted] during the period under review. On 12 October, amphibious
 vehicles [redacted] were seen in Nochten.

25X1 [redacted] Comment. The 9th Mecc Div continually conducted tank firing practices at
 Weisswasser since mid-September 1953. [redacted]

25X1 [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted]
 25X1 [redacted] each one shipment of several flatcars went from Koenigsbrueck to the
 25X1 Weisswasser training area on 9 and 10 October. It, therefore, can be assumed
 25X1 that tank details of the First Gds Mecc Army also engaged in firing practices
 25X1 in Weisswasser.

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